

A JUST CAUSE DEFEATED

The News From Helena Received With Chagrin and Indignation.

BEATEN BUT NOT DISMAYED

The Miners of Butte Are Not Disheartened But Will Marshal Their Forces for Another Battle.

By the Standard's Special Wire.

BUTTE, Feb. 19.—Miners' union hall was a mingled scene of grief and indignation this evening when the news of the practical defeat of the eight-hour bill at Helena was received. The miners had come down town in large numbers to hear the news and the bill's fate was learned beyond a doubt by private dispatches received in this city. Delegations of miners, however, went to the newspaper and telegraph offices for a confirmation of the news received, the additional news, however, affording no ground for hope and increasing their chagrin and indignation. Many business and professional men in the city expressed themselves as jubilant over the result, but all real friends of the workmen felt that a just and honest cause had been defeated, that the cause of labor had received a blow and that the miners are deserving of all sympathy. It was not expected here that the bill would be beaten in the house. The miners had counted on enough true friends of labor to put the bill through the lower house, although there was some anticipation that the bill might be beaten in the senate by the senators from the cow counties. The miners counted for certain on having enough friends in the lower house to carry the bill through there with honor. But they expressed themselves to-night as disappointed in some of their supposed friends and vowed vengeance. A leader in the miners' union was asked by a reporter to-night as to what would be the next move of the union for the rescuing of the eight-hour law.

"There will be no strike," said the miner. "We are beaten, and will accept our defeat as gracefully as possible. There is a day of mourning coming, and we will remember our friends and enemies. You must not think that the cause is annihilated because we have met with this defeat; no, we will merely marshal our forces for another battle. We will fight the next legislative session. We will see to it that our friends are sent to represent us in the legislature. We will vote for no man who does not pronounce himself in favor of the eight-hour law, and will have a hand in the nominations that are made. We are beaten but not dismayed. Eight hours for a day's work will eventually be the law in Montana's mines. The law is only postponed for a couple of years. The workmen comprise the majority of voters in Montana, and we will see that we are properly represented hereafter."

SHE KEPT THEIR STOVE.

The Novel Manner in Which a Meaderville Landlady Collects Her Rent.

BUTTE, Feb. 19.—Judge Eddy's courtroom was filled this afternoon with a crowd of sons and daughters of "Sunshine Italy," and the air was redolent with the smell of garlic and macaroni. English like that on raisin boxes was hurled at his honor and guttural "f's" rolled and rattled over the floor like marbles. The delegation was from the smoky precincts of Meaderville, and two members of the party, Andreas Botze and Phillipi Nieredo were present in the capacity of prisoners. They were arrested on the complaint of Marie Heizer who accused them of not only disturbing her peace and quiet, but of literally tearing it into rags and tatters. The testimony went to show that the defendants had been occupying a cabin belonging to the complainant and had undertaken to move without first going through the formality of paying an amount due for rent. While removing their household goods the complainant took occasion to possess herself a stove which she decided to hold for the rent. The stove was taken during the temporary absence of the defendants and when they returned war followed. Botze drew a revolver, which he pointed at the complainant and threatened to make a sieve of her unless she gave up the stove at once. Instead, however, she clung to the stove, and coming to Butte fled a complaint against her late tenants. It being proved that Nieredo attempted to pacify Botze and had taken his pistol away, the court discharged him and sent Botze up for 30 days together with the costs.

SHOULD BE RELIEVED.

A Case Which Appeals to the Sympathies of the Charitably Inclined.

BUTTE, Feb. 19.—The case of destitution to which attention was called in the STANDARD this morning aroused much attention in the city today. Miss Moore, president of the Woman's Protective union, deserves the credit, however, of having been the first one to investigate the cause. Miss Moore visited Corinne Le Page at her room at the corner of Galena and Wyoming streets and she reports that the case is a worthy one, the woman is in destitution and should be relieved. Miss Moore asked her what she needed and the poor woman replied, "Everything." The woman and her baby are both very sick. Miss Moore ordered a lot of groceries and sent them to the woman, relieving her immediate needs for the day. The woman should, however, receive further assistance to-morrow, and a nurse should be engaged to care for the woman and child. Dr. Tremblay has been prescribing for her.

IN POLICE COURT.

Several Drunks, Chair Warmers and Disturbances of the Peace Dealt With.

BUTTE, Feb. 19.—The police made a raid last night on the chair warmers and loafers who hang about the gambling houses and joints in the "bad lands." Thomas Brady, George Halloway, Mark Gorman, James Murphy and John McKinnon were rounded up and taken to the station. This morning they were arraigned in the police court and much to the surprise of everybody entered pleas of guilty. The court imposed a fine of \$5 and costs upon each and gave time to all to leave, except in the case of Brady, who was recognized as an old offender and was sent up the hill. William O'Brien entered a plea of guilty to the complaint charging him with having been drunk. In default of \$1 and costs he was committed to jail.

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ALEXANDER WINCHELL.

One of the Country's Most Gifted Scholars Dies in His Prime.

BUTTE, Feb. 19.—Many expressions of surprise and regret were heard on the streets of the city this evening when it was learned that the afternoon dispatches announced the death of Prof. Alexander Winchell, of Ann Arbor. In July of last year Professor Winchell was a guest in this city. He has been known for many years as one of the most distinguished of living authorities on geology and those who met him during his visit here were impressed with the deep interest he took in making a tour of Butte's leading mines. At the time of his visit in this city Professor Winchell seemed a man in perfect health and an ideal type of physical manhood. For many years he held the chair of geology in the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor. Afterwards he was chancellor of the University of Syracuse, N. Y., but he subsequently devoted himself to his special work at the Vanderbilt University, returning finally to Ann Arbor.

Dr. Winchell was one of the world's greatest authorities on geology and kindred topics; his text books are regarded as high authority, and he was remarkably successful on the lecture platform. There are a number of residents in Butte and Anaconda who in college days were pupils of Professor Winchell. They will learn of his death with deep regret.

"THE WAGES OF SIN."

A Stirring Address at the Methodist Church Last Evening.

By the Standard's Special Wire.

BUTTE, Feb. 19.—Major Camp gave a stirring address to-night at the Methodist church from the text, "The Wages of Sin is Death." He said: "You are all working for some one. If you are working for Brown, you know better than to go to Smith to get your pay. If you are working for the devil, you cannot go to Christ to get your reward. I have heard men saying 'Oh, if I only was a Christian,' but I have never heard of a dying man regretting that he was a Christian. I have never seen a man go into battle with a pack of cards, but many a time I have seen men go to their knapsacks and put their Bibles in their pockets just before going into battle. Look at your bawdy houses and see woman, the highest being God ever created, fallen to the lowest depth of villainy. God intended them to be queens, occupying homes of purity, and instead they are going down to the bottomless pit. They are reaping the wages of sin."

"If there is any place in the world I hate it is a gambling hell. How in the name of common sense can a young man expect to be anything who begins life by gambling? Gamblers don't keep their money. Look at the most successful gambler of Montana, who died a few months ago a pauper, and who was buried by his friends chipping in to pay the expense."

The major then told of a gambler and saloon keeper who was converted in his meetings at Cleveland who, instead of selling and peddling his liquors in the street and burned up the furnishings. At the same time he confessed that he had deserted a wife three years before in Harborsburg. On Major Camp's advice he wrote to her and the result was a reunion and a happy home. A letter from her said, "Major, I now know what joy is."

LOST IN THE SHUFFLE.

Butte People Losing Sight of Two Important Features.

By the Standard's Special Wire.

BUTTE, Feb. 19.—Other matters have to a certain extent caused people to lose sight of the petitions that are in circulation—one for the repeal of the present Sunday law, and the other for the enactment of a Sunday law that shall compel all business and all places to observe Sunday as a day of rest. Both sides, however, have been busy at work and it is expected that the matter will be brought up to the attention of the legislature soon. Yesterday a petition was sent to Helena for the repeal of the law, containing 900 names, and it is claimed that on other petitions not yet collected are enough names to make the total nearly 3,000. It is not known how many names are on the other petitions. It is likely that if the legislature finds time to do anything with the petitions this session, it will conclude that the repeal of the law is the best one and enact a mixed population like that of Butte moderate and reasonable Sunday laws will prove better than extreme laws in either direction.

A FAMILY AFFAIR.

John Creighton of Deer Lodge Under Arrest for Cutting His Son-in-Law.

By the Standard's Special Wire.

BUTTE, Feb. 19.—Deputy Sheriff Laist returned from Deer Lodge to-night, bringing with him John Creighton, who owns a ranch about six miles from Deer Lodge. The charge against Creighton is assault and battery and the complainant is his son-in-law, John Coyle of Centerville. Mr. Creighton came to Butte last week to visit his daughter, who was sick. He became angry at his son-in-law for abuse of his daughter and struck at him with an axe according to Coyle's statement. The axgained and struck Coyle's fingers, causing severe wounds, although no fingers were severed. Creighton returned to his ranch and Coyle swore out a complaint on which Creighton was arrested and brought to the county jail to-night.

A Splendid Programme.

BUTTE, Feb. 19.—Below is the programme to be given by the Young Men's Institute at the opera house on Sunday evening:

Overture—Ballet Ten Striches.....Suppe Ave Maria No 2.....Luzzi
Duet.....Verdi
Paganini solo.....Mr. Hughes
Selection from Faust.....Orchestra
Trio—"O, Restless Sea.....Orchestra
Miss Rosenfield and Messrs. Carlisle and Kroger
Waltz, Rondo.....Mr. Hughes
Overture—Calf of Babel.....Orchestra
Cornet solo.....F. Lyons
Quartet—"Come Where My Love Lies.....Orchestra
Duet.....Miss Rosenfield, Messrs. Akers and Carlisle
Selection.....From Bohemian Girl
Orchestra.

Closed on an Attachment.

By the Standard's special wire.

BUTTE, Feb. 19.—To-night Deputy Sheriff Roe closed the Clipper Shades saloon, corner of Park and Wyoming streets, on an attachment issued out of a justice court in favor of H. L. Frank. The amount claimed in the writ by the plaintiff is \$250, but this, the proprietor of the place, R. B. Ecker, says is wrong. Mr. Ecker claims that the total amount of his indebtedness to the plaintiff is \$150, due for rent, and this he agreed to pay if proceedings were held in abeyance until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning. The request was refused and the saloon is now closed with J. H. Knight in charge as custodian.

Cut flowers by express every Tuesday and Friday evening at the City Drug store, 71 East Park street.

RUMBLE OF THE RAILS

The Union Pacific Thinks It Has the Call in Freight Traffic.

THE NEW "MANIFEST" SYSTEM

Running Stock Trains on Fast Time—The Northern Pacific's New Plan to Starve Out the Scalpers.

BUTTE, Feb. 19.—Thirty-five miles an hour is remarkably fast time for a stock train to make, yet that is the time all such trains on the Union Pacific are now on. Last Sunday a train of nine palace feed cars reached Salt Lake from Spanish Forks, a distance of 60 miles, and covered it one hour and 51 minutes. From Salt Lake the train was run to Ogden, and from there east to Omaha, where it arrived Tuesday morning. The train was billed to Andrew Haas, an Omaha cattle dealer, and had on board 469 head of beef cattle.

H. W. Adams, of the freight department of the company, informed a STANDARD reporter to-day that all stock trains would hereafter be run at the rate of speed mentioned and as the cars are all arranged so that cattle can be fed and watered on board of the cars no time will be lost at stations for feeding. The palace stock cars of the company are 36 feet long and are said to be even better than the famous Burton & Street palace cars. Several of the cars loaded with cattle for the Butte Butchering company arrived in the city yesterday. They will be run altogether hereafter in place of the ordinary cattle cars.

The freight department of the Union Pacific is of the opinion that it has got the bulge on all competitors when it comes to rushing freight and making fast time. A system known as the "manifest special fast freight system" has been perfected and is now operative over the entire road, and applies to both west and eastbound freight. It also applies to local as well as through shipments. Under the new arrangement as soon as freight is placed on board of a car a manifest of the shipment is made and given to the conductor in charge of the train properly endorsed and setting forth that such shipment is time freight and must be "rushed." Each car is then labeled to the same effect and the number of the car, together with its contents, telegraphed to the agent at the point of destination. A similar report is also telegraphed to the division superintendent and to the general car accountant of the company. The car is now forwarded, and every move is reported by telegraph to the proper officer. Should anything arise requiring the car or cars so billed to be detained at any station for a period of twelve hours or more, the fact of such detention and the cause thereof is telegraphed to the superintendent of the division in which such delay occurs, and also to the car accountant and agent at point of destination. In the case of accidents to cars where delays of 24 hours occur the orders to transfer the freight from such cars onto others in good order are imperative, and such transfer must be made at once and full reports made to the officers already mentioned. It will be seen that the system is really nothing more nor less than directing by telegraph the movements of all fast freight, and as a complete record is kept of each car forwarded its exact location is constantly known, and no reasonable excuse for delays can be given unless it be when accidents or blockades occur, and even then in the case of the former the delay is reduced to a minimum of time.

A splendid illustration of the excellent manner in which the new system works was furnished here yesterday. The Butte Butchering company received a carload of beef from South Omaha, Neb., in exactly four and a half days, almost exclusive time. All merchandise and perishable freight is now handled in this manner, only coal, lumber and like freight being forwarded in the old way. East bound freight including cattle, ore, bullions, etc., receives the benefit of the manifest special fast system.

Pending adoption by the other roads of the cinch game on the ticket scalpers, the Northern Pacific is doing a little missionary work on its own accord. As near as can be learned the war on the scalpers is as yet being carried on only on the main line and so far is confined to limited tickets only. As already published before, limited tickets are issued good for transportation one day in excess only of the actual running time between point of origin and point of destination. Should the purchaser of such a ticket desire to lay off at any point between the place of origin and place of destination of his ticket, he must so inform the conductor of the train running into the place where it is intended to stop over. The conductor then takes up the ticket and gives the holder a check in return, which check the ticket holder must sign and retain. Upon resuming his journey the traveler presents this check to the ticket agent of the station at which he stopped over and upon its surrender receives back his ticket, which is then stamped with the stamp of the station, and in case the layover privilege is exhausted the ticket is stamped, "good only for continuous passage on train No. —," giving the number of the train on which the passenger embarked. If presented on any other train than the one specified in the endorsement of the agent at which the stopover was made, the ticket is void and is taken up by the conductor and the holder compelled to pay full fare from the last point of embarkation to the point of destination.

This plan will make it impossible for scalpers to handle limited tickets, such tickets really never passing out of the hands of the purchaser and company until the limit of time for which they are issued expires.

Where holders of limited tickets do not desire to lay over such tickets are stamped "good only for continuous passage on train No. —," giving the number of the train on which passage was begun at the point of origin.

The scalpers do not appear to be worried to any great extent over the new arrangement, holding that the courts would not sustain the company in case recourse was taken to the law. They hold that when the company sells a ticket, no matter what the proviso may be, such ticket becomes the absolute property of the purchaser and is his to do with as he pleases, and if presented for passage on any train, no matter by whom, the company is bound to honor it in the way of transportation to the full extent of its value. They hold that this has been decided repeatedly by courts all over the land and say no change may be looked for in the present instance. Only recently a man named J. H. Knight, traveling on the Central Pacific on a scalper's ticket were put off a train by the conductor who took up their tickets, refusing to honor them because they had passed the hands of a second party. The traveler instituted suit against the company and was awarded damages in the sum of \$30,000. It is a well known fact that the average jury finds nothing so

pleasant nor agreeable as to mulct a railroad company.

H. W. Adams, first assistant to S. W. Ecker, general freight agent of the Union Pacific at Salt Lake, returned south this evening after a very successful business trip to Montana points.

C. W. Sheldon, general agent of the "Burlington Route" at Portland, who has been in the city several days, took his departure to-day.

E. V. Maze, general agent of the Union Pacific, returned to-day from a flying visit to Anaconda and Helena.

THE CRAZE FOR WAGNER.

Extending to the Pacific Coast With the Advent of the Juch Company.

BUTTE, Feb. 19.—The craze for the operatic works of Richard Wagner is ten times greater to-day than ever. It is rapidly supplanting the works of other composers in every country. Even in the sacred home of Italian opera "La Scala," "Milan," "Rossini" and even "Verdi" are pushed aside to make way for "Lohengrin" and "Tannhauser." The hold of Wagner on the great masses has long been acknowledged in the eastern part of the United States, but only with the advent of the Juch Opera company this season with its Wagner repertoire has the craze extended to the Pacific coast.

Many from pure musical curiosity, some because they think it is fashionable and others because of its well-known spectacular and dramatic interest—all flock to hear the Juch performances of Wagner's works. During this company's season in San Francisco the spacious Baldwin theater proved entirely inadequate to hold the vast throngs that attended their performances. Their engagement in the great Northwest has proven a repetition of their San Francisco success. The "Flying Dutchman," in which Juch impersonates the visionary but faithful *Seala*; "Lohengrin," with its medieval pageantry wherein Juch sings the exquisite music that Wagner has allotted to *Elza*; "Tannhauser," and its wonderful scenic effects and almost Italian melodies; "Die Walkure," in which Juch appears as the passionate *Sieglinde*—one and all have attracted the largest and most enthusiastic audiences known in San Francisco for several years. The press and the public have accorded to the beautiful prima donna the highest artistic praise; in fact, no Patti or Nilsson ever received more laudatory notices than Emma Juch during her San Francisco season of last opera.

Director Locke has provided magnificent stage settings, and his liberality in surrounding the peerless Juch with sumptuous stage paraphernalia is witnessed by the grand organization not only the admiration of the musical people, but the approbation of the great mass of theater-goers. It is said that these magnificent productions of Wagner's works are netting the organization a fortune, wherever it is possible to obtain seats very long after the sales have been opened to the public.

A secret of Wagner's magnetism is that the meaning in his music (and he always has a very definite meaning) is easily understood by non-musical people. In other words, Wagner is pre-eminently a realist. When he desires to convey the idea of birds singing in the trees, the orchestral instrumentation makes the singing so evident of birds in the trees that no one fails to understand and recognize the composer's object.

Wagner is fortunate in having such able interpreters as Miss Juch and the splendid body of artists with whom she has surrounded herself.

Butte will have an opportunity of showing its appreciation of this great composer's work, commencing Thursday evening next, when this organization opens its season with a magnificent scenic production of "Tannhauser." Seats will be on sale commencing Monday morning at Calkins's book store.

THAT RAILWAY FRANCHISE.

A Representative of a Rival Road Has Something to Say.

Special to the Standard.

BUTTE, Feb. 19.—Messrs. Vaughan and Regan, who are asking the street railway franchise to be acted on to-morrow night are Omaha parties who claim to have a large backing from Omaha capitalists. Mr. Vaughan has been introduced as ex-Mayor Vaughan of Council Bluffs and has become a well known figure in this city during the few weeks that he has been here. Today Mr. Vaughan stated that they had secured an option on a good many acres of property in the vicinity of Butte, and that they would open an office at once in the Northern Pacific quarters.

It is stated by a gentleman interested in a rival road that the Omaha parties are projecting the road merely for a real estate deal, to boom certain real estate that they had near the city. It is also stated that Mr. Regan had offered to abandon his project in street railway business, provided the Butte street railway company would extend its lines in directions that would benefit the property in which he was interested. It is stated, too, that Mr. Regan had desired to contract with the Butte City road to extend its cable line down to South Butte. The above statements are made by a man who claims to know what he is talking about and who will probably be at the council meeting to-morrow night.

MITCHELL-LA BLANCHE FIGHT.

Butte Sports are Betting on Mitchell With Heavy Odds.

By the Standard's Special Wire.

BUTTE, Feb. 19.—There is a good deal of talk here to-night over the coming Mitchell-La Blanche fight. The betting in town is in Mitchell's favor at good odds. While there is a general desire for La Blanche's defeat, on account of his unfair statements in regard to the fight with Kessler, Charley Marion is La Blanche's second fighter, and outside of him few expect the Marine to win. Mr. Marion has been posted on La Blanche's condition daily, and says he was never finer. At the date of the last letter he was at 150 pounds and in excellent shape.

The Act of Laughing.

From the New York Sun.

The act of laughing is very interesting studied from the standpoint of physiology. The emotion of humor being once excited, the physical manifestation of it may be compared to the effects that follow the dropping of a pebble into a pool. From the center, which in this case is the brain, the circles of muscular activity widen continually, being closest to the brain, receive the first stimulus and first give physical expression to the mental enjoyment. Then the mouth relaxes, and if the impulse still be given by the brain the muscles of the throat, the chest, and finally of the entire trunk, become involved, and lastly, where the laughing impulse becomes uncontrollable, it is attended by great activity of the upper and lower extremities. The circles have reached the outermost confines of the pond.

Smoke the Irwin union hand made cigar.

The Copper Market.

From the Mining and Engineering Journal.

We are at last able to record a small improvement, which, although it has not expressed itself, so far, in prices, has in the volume of business done. Lake copper has been sold from second hand at 11½¢, and a few lots even at 11¼¢, which is considered to be the forerunner of the early reduction of the official price of Lake copper to 11¢. At this price many are buyers, but few sellers. In casting copper rather large transactions took place, buyers evidently being greatly in want of the copper, and it is evident that they have more confidence in present prices, as, not alone were contracts made for immediate shipment, but also for forward delivery. We quote 11½¢@11¼¢, according to the brand, but larger quantities can be bought at a trifle below these figures. Arizona copper is held very firmly, and very little is available. Shipments from this country to Europe continue on a very heavy scale.

The London market remains rather steady with but small fluctuations, and no advice received report that manufacturers are now better stocked with orders than during the closing months of last year. India has taken pretty large quantities of copper and yellow metal. Further sales have taken place of Montana matte at 10¢ to 10½¢, which are considered really low prices. Chili bars offered this week at 45¢25, for cash, touched 45¢, and are closing at 45¢ 10¢, for cash and 45¢ 10¢, for three months prompt.

We quote: English tough, 45¢@45¢ 10¢; best selected, 45¢@45¢ 10¢; strong sheets, 46¢@46¢ 10¢; India sheets, 46¢@46¢ 10¢; yellow metal sheets, 57¢.

A French Opinion About Women.

From the New York Times.

There is on its way to England from India a petition to Queen Victoria, which is an extraordinary one. It is more than 60 feet in length and bears the signatures of more than 2,000 women of India, who pray that the legal marriage age may be raised from its present limit of 10 to 14 years. The grievances of the Hindu women stir the sympathies of the whole English speaking world. Something of the horrors of the life of a widow there, widowed perhaps at an age when American girls are just entering upon the brightest moments of their lives, may be gathered from an extract from a catechism which a recent translation of a book by Ramabai gives:

Q.—What is cruel?
A.—The heart of a widow.
Q.—What is more cruel than that?
A.—The heart of a woman.
Q.—What is the cruellest of all?
A.—The heart of a soulless, penniless widow.

The sutta has been done away with in India, but some of these wretched child widows must almost deplore its abolition. To be burned on the funeral pyre of their husbands would undoubtedly be a relief to many of them, contented as they are to be wretched, degraded existences from the moment the death leaves the bodies of their conjugal lords and masters.

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